Additional File 3. A scenario of bioinformatics analysis with existing articles of pypedia.com

In this notebook we demonstrate how pypedia can be used to perform simple bioinformatics analysis with openly available data. We also demonstrate how IPython can be combined with pypedia.com. IPython notebook is a convenient tool not only for performing an analysis but also to distribute and reproduce it. This file is a PDF conversion of the IPython notebook file that contains the complete analysis and can be downloaded from this link: https://gist.github.com/kantale/e09e43ce7aac69e2015a. To reproduce the analysis simply load this file to a local IPython notebook.

1 Prerequisites

Initially we assume that the pypedia library has been installed locally. To do that run the following from the computer's terminal (not in python):

```
git clone git://github.com/kantale/pypedia.git
```

This example assumes a python 2.7 (or higher but not 3.x) environment. The first command imports the pypedia library. This library maintains a connection between the local environment and pypedia.com

```
In [1]: import pypedia
```

2 Downloading a dataset

For this demonstration we can experiment with the files available in: http://pngu.mgh.harvard.edu/~purcell/plink/res.shtml For example the file that contains the CEU founders (release 23, 60 individuals, filtered 2.3 million SNPs) can be downloaded locally with the following commands.

3 Reading a dataset

The data are in binary BED / BIM / FAM format. We can apply a reader to this data. Readers are python generators.

As we can see from the documentation (http://www.pypedia.com/index.php/BED_PLINK_reader), BED_PLINK_reader is a python generator. The first item that it generates is a dictionary that contains the family, sample and phenotype information of the dataset:

```
In [5]: header = reader.next()
Loading: hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.bim
Read 2333521 SNPs
Loading: hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.fam
Read 60 Individuals
```

The subsequent items of this generator contain genotype information. Suppose that we are interested on two particular SNPs: rs16839450 and rs16839451. We can extract the genotypes of these snps:

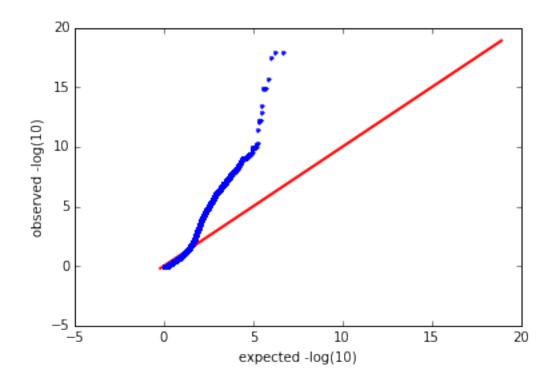
4 Basic genetics statistics

One experiment we can perform is to check if the SNPs that we selected are in LD (Linkage Disequilibrium):

```
In [7]: from pypedia import Pairwise_linkage_disequilibrium as PLD
        ld = PLD(interesting_snps[0]['genotypes'], interesting_snps[1]['genotypes'])
        ld
Out[7]: {'Dprime': 1.0,
         'R_sq': 0.8896046482253379,
         'haplotypes': [('CA', 0.7807017543859649, 0.5986842105263158),
          ('CG', 0.00877192982456141, 0.19078947368421056),
          ('TA', 6.268997962918469e-18, 0.15964912280701754),
          ('TG', 0.21052631578947367, 0.050877192982456146)]}
  The result ('R_sq' = 0.89) shows that these SNPs are in LD.
  Subsequently we can measure the Hardy Weinberg Equilibrium of all SNPs:
In [8]: reader = BED_PLINK_reader(
                 'hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.bed',
                 'hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.bim',
                 'hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.fam')
        header = reader.next()
        from pypedia import hardy_weinberg_equilibrium as hwe
        hwe_values = [hwe(x['genotypes']) for x in reader]
```

We can also create a Q-Q plot that will show if the p-values are normally distributed, or if an inflation is taking place:

lambda: 0.483347



Out[10]: <module 'matplotlib.pyplot' from '/Users/alexandroskanterakis/anaconda/lib/python2.7/site-pack

There is clearly an inlfation of the hardy weinberg statistic in this dataset.

Finally we can also perform a genetic association test. For demonstration purposes we can assign random values as phenotypes:

```
#Create random phenotype
pheno = [1] * cases + [2] * controls
from random import shuffle
shuffle(pheno)
```

The genetic_association_test method contains a collection of genetic association tests.

```
In [12]: from pypedia import genetic_association_test as gat
```

We can create a more complex analysis, for example report all SNPs where they pass the hardy weinberg statistic (p-value>0.0001) and the p-value of the genotypic test for association with the phenotype is lower than 10^-4. Of course, since this is a random assigned phenotype we expect the method to find a few SNPs.

```
In [13]: # "rewind" reader
        reader = BED_PLINK_reader(
                'hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.bed',
                 'hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.bim',
                'hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.fam')
        header = reader.next()
        reported_snps = []
        #Iterate through all markers
        for marker in reader:
                #Get the genotype
                genotypes = marker['genotypes']
                 #Discard markers with low hardy weinberg test values
                hwe_value = hwe(genotypes)
                if hwe_value < 1e-4:
                        continue
                 #On the remaining snps perform an association test
                assoc = gat(genotypes, pheno, tests=['GENO'])
                p_value = assoc['GENO']['P']
                 #Report SNPs with p_values < 10^-4
               if p_value < 1e-4:
                        reported_snps += [(marker['rs_id'], str(p_value))]
        #Print first 10 reported SNPs
        for s in reported_snps[0:10]:
           print 'SNP: %s p_value: %s' % (s[0], s[1])
Loading: hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.bim
Read 2333521 SNPs
Loading: hapmap_CEU_r23a_filtered.fam
Read 60 Individuals
BED file type: SNP_major
SNP: rs4650608 p_value: 4.25942698892e-05
SNP: rs12120254 p_value: 5.56259796442e-05
SNP: rs12022730 p_value: 8.07413948606e-05
SNP: rs3806412 p_value: 5.29801197352e-05
```

```
SNP: rs6693754    p_value: 6.08087642015e-05
SNP: rs17380246    p_value: 5.9213847799e-05
SNP: rs17371791    p_value: 6.72423732165e-05
SNP: rs11124566    p_value: 8.67876069542e-05
SNP: rs2540973    p_value: 4.51223345855e-05
```

5 Saving a method in pypedia.com

Suppose that we have developed a function (or class) and we want to make it part of the pypedia collection. We can create and edit an article in the pypedia.com website as with any other wiki. Alternatively we can use the pypedia library to complete this task. To do that we should already have an account in pypedia.com. Then we must declare our username and password locally:

In [3]: pypedia.add('foo_user_JohnDoe')

Then we can create a new article in pypedia.com by using our account. Some notes:

- It is very important the name of the article (and the name of the function or class) to end in "user_< Username >". (See supplementary file 2)
- The first letter of the username should be in capital.
- In the documentation page we describe how to universally define these values (for security purposes).

For example:

```
Article foo_user_JohnDoe saved

Next:

Edit the article online: http://www.pypedia.com/index.php/foo_user_JohnDoe

Or edit the article locally: /Users/alexandroskanterakis/del/pypedia/pypCode/pyp_foo_user_JohnDoe.py

To push the changes to pypedia.com run: pypedia.push()
```

As it is indicated in the output messages there two ways to continue. Either to edit the article online (http://www.pypedia.com/index.php/foo_user_JohnDoe) or open the file pyp_foo_user_JohnDoe.py with your favorite text editor, add the desired functionality and then type:

```
In [4]: pypedia.push()
```

6 Additional information

Additional documentation and functionality of the pypedia library can be found here: http://www.pypedia.com/index.php/PyPedia:Documentation.